[DECS ORDER NO. 25, S. 1999, March 08, 1999]

PROCUREMENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

- 1. **Coverage** This pertains to the procurement of various instructional materials by/for DECS offices/schools.
- 2. Accreditation Requirement It is reiterated that all DECS offices should only transact business with DECS-Accredited Suppliers of Goods and Services. DECS Offices should require a supplier to present a valid DECS Certificate of Accreditation prior to transacting any business with said supplier. This includes transactions involving suppliers of DECS-approved textbooks and other instructional materials. Effective immediately, accreditation of all suppliers of books to DECS shall be the responsibility of the DECS Central Office Accreditation Committee.
- 3. Moratorium on the Procurement of Supplementary and Reference Materials — The procurement of supplementary and reference materials by all DECS Offices is hereby suspended to ensure that available funds are instead used to address the current backlog of textbooks and teacher's manuals.
- Dissemination and Posting of DECS Order Immediate dissemination of this DECS Order by DECS Regional Offices and posting on bulletin boards of all DECS Division and other concerned offices is desired.
- 5. For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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